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It is rather unpromising for the hope of political reform through the agency of alleged labor candidates that Dakin, the Michigan Legislature, has been expelled from that body for soliciting bribes. The fact is another proof of the facility with which labor organizations have of falling into the hands of political demagogues and sycophants.

Just in time to illustrate and refute Mr. Curtis' latest declaration, comes the statement of Gen. Rosser, that protection has broken the Solid South, and has rendered the election of a Democratic President virtually impossible. He does not speak as a Protectionist or as a Republican. "We were able to elect three Free Trade Congressmen from Minnesota last fall, he observes, but as to the Presidency we are already beaten. There is no prospect at all that we can win in the next contest. Two or more of our Southern States will surely be Republican." This he attributes chiefly to the growth of protective sentiment in the Southern States. There is no doubt, he says, of the growth of this sentiment in Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee and Alabama, and perhaps in Georgia and Louisiana. "The stimulation of money-making interests fosters and stimulates protective doctrine."

THE CHURCHES TO-MORROW.

Rev. Mr. LUTHERAN CHURCH.
Services at 10:30 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Sermon in the morning on the text, "The Lord is the Father of the Fatherless." A collection for the benefit of missions. "Life in Africa." Sunday school at 2 p. m.

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FOREIGN NEWS.

Refused to Amend the Crimes Bill

-Colonial Delegates Banqueted.

The Vatican's Conditions for Reconciliation with the Italian Government.

Schneibele's Release Signed by the Emperor - A Desperate Battle - Russian Troops for Central Asia.

THE CHINESE BILL.

LONDON, April 29. - The House of Commons this evening, the House considered the Crimes Bill, in committee. Mr. T. M. Keeler proposed that the word "offense" wherever it appeared in the "offenses" of the bill, be altered to read "crime."

Messrs. Dillon and Bradshaw spoke in support of Mr. Keeler's amendment, but Mr. Balfour, Chief Secretary for Ireland, refused to permit the alteration.

Mr. William Vernon Harcourt said that Mr. Balfour's refusal to allow the substitution of the word "crime" for "offense" was not intended to prevent crime, but to punish offenses which the bill created.

Mr. Gladstone then arose, and argued at considerable length for the amendment, but to no purpose, as the motion was rejected by a vote of 157 to 120.

Dr. Connors, member for Roscommon, moved that the conference and committee, in offering which motion he was supported by Mr. Healy, and opposed by Sir R. E. Webster, Attorney General, and Sir R. E. Clarke, Solicitor General.

Mr. Henry James suggested the insertion of words in the bill, prescribing that inquiry into past offenses be limited to felony and misdemeanor.

Mr. William Vernon Harcourt congratulated the government on having the assistance of Sir Henry James, and expressed his confidence in the bill.

Mr. W. F. Smith said if Mr. James was not satisfied with the assurance that they would apply the act fairly, the government would introduce a pledge that the clause should be amended, as they had announced that it would be.

Dr. Connors offered to withdraw his motion to allow time for consideration, but the government would not allow the withdrawal, and the amendment was rejected without division.

COLONIAL DELEGATES BANQUETED.

LONDON, April 29. - A grand banquet to the Colonial Delegates was given at the Colonial Office yesterday. Sir Henry Holland, Colonial Secretary, presided. The Prince of Wales, replying to a toast to his health, said he hoped that the result of the conference would be to bind the colonies still closer to the empire.

Lord Rosebery proposed the health of the Colonial Delegates, and the health of the empire, and that he was not a party man, where the integrity of the empire was concerned. He predicted the very best results from the conference, and congratulated Lord Salisbury for having brought it about.

Mr. Ambrose, then, replied on behalf of the Colonial Delegates, and said that they would accept the assurance that they would apply the act fairly, and that they would accept the amendment.

THE JUSTICE YACHT RACE.

LONDON, April 29. - Several yachts have thus far entered in the Jubilee race, and the number will probably be considerably increased before the entries close on the 7th of June.

VACATED HIS SEAT.

LONDON, April 29. - Mr. W. C. Borlase, Liberal Unionist member of Parliament for the Devonport division, was yesterday elected and accepted the Children's Hundreds.

THE POPE'S ADVISE.

First. The Pope will advise the royal, archbishop and chief functionaries of Naples, Turin, and Milan to renounce all claims of sovereignty in favor of the Holy See.

Second. The Pope will crown King Humbert King of Italy, granting him and his Catholic descendants the territory of Italy in full.

Third. The King to govern the whole kingdom with full temporal rights, but to acknowledge the Pope as sovereign, and to place himself to rule according to the dictates of the Church.

Fourth. The King to reside in Rome.

Fifth. The territory including the Leonine city and the whole of the city of Rome, to be allotted permanently to the Pope, with absolute ruling and proprietary rights.

Sixth. A special convention to be concluded to the amount that Italy shall pay to maintain the Papal household.

ALARMING NEWS FROM AFRICA.

ROME, April 29. - The news received by the government from Massowah yesterday which are of alarming import and indicate a disastrous ending of the Abyssinian expedition, has been received without delay. Three battalions of troops have been ordered to embark immediately to reinforce the expedition, and it is likely that further reinforcements will be dispatched within a short time.

SCHNEIBELE'S RELEASE SIGNED.

BERLIN, April 29. - The Emperor has signed the papers releasing M. Schneibele, and he will be set at liberty. M. Schneibele has written to his wife that he expects to return to his home to-day. M. Hebert, the French ambassador, is reported to have expressed himself as in the highest degree satisfied with the curious result of the representative of his government, has received at the hands of the German Chancellor and Foreign Office throughout the Schneibele controversy.

ABYSSINIA.

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In addition to the above popular numbers, we are very much pleased to say that we have secured the SOLE AGENT for the sale of SCHNOLL & KRAIG'S justly celebrated

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We are authorized to announce W. C. Foster as a candidate for Justice of the Peace.

We are authorized to announce THOMAS A. ALBERT as a candidate for Justice of the Peace.

SATURDAY EVE, APRIL 30, 1887.

LOCAL NEWS.

MAJOLICA WARE—Special bargains in this line of ware at E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.

MANHATTAN, Manhattan.

The gossip say a fashionable wedding on East North street will soon occur.

The circus caught a crowd last night and again this afternoon.

OAKLAND PARK will be open to the public for the season, beginning to-morrow.

Deal with Niedermeyer on the Monnd. He will supply you with good groceries.

This ball game will be "a go." All of the required stock will be taken by Tuesday night.

Recovered seats for Gen. Wallace at Prescott's.

Tuesday evening a business meeting of the Decatur Base Ball Association will be held at the council rooms, when a board of directors will be elected to select officers. Other business will be transacted.

Don't miss the rare opportunity of hearing the greatest American author, Gen. Lew Wallace, lecture Monday evening.

"OUR IRISH VISITORS" will appear Tuesday evening in the play of that name, with Murray and Murphy in the lead.

SOLDIERS, hear your old comrade, Gen. Wallace, at the opera house Monday evening.

H. NIELSEN'S Juvenile Orchestra will give a concert at the opera house next Friday evening, May 6th, and will be assisted by some of the best vocal talent in the city. Admission—35, 25 and 15 cents.

Now is the time to obtain a thorough course in Book Keeping and Arithmetic for \$25.00, at the Business College. Tuition for one month, \$10.00. a27-dif

TELEPHONE to Smith & Son at 739 North Water street and get good groceries; also Nicky butter.

"The Noblest Ambition of Life," is the attractive subject chosen by Dr. Voeburg for the opera house services to-morrow night.

A fine assortment of desirable vegetables and fruits can be had at Knobs & Osborne's family grocery store every day.

All the ladies like White Foam Flour, made by Hatfield & Co. Try it.

Choice Vienna bread, Jersey milk in bottles, berries in season, at J. Lytle & Co.'s grocery store.

Try Shellbarger & Co.'s White Loaf flour and you will order more.

Buy your groceries and vegetables at Hanks & Patterson's handy store, 143 South Water street. All orders filled and delivered promptly.

The scarlet fever has broken out in an epidemic form in the northern part of Monticello county. A large number of children have died from the disease and many others are sick. Several schools have been closed on account of the disease.

That feeling of weariness so often experienced in the spring, results from a sluggish condition of the blood which, being impure, does not quicken with the changing season. Ayer's Sarsaparilla, by vitalizing and cleansing the blood, strengthens and invigorates the system.

Amusements.

When a piece is avowedly written and acted to make an average audience laugh from the beginning to the end of it, one has no right to complain if it lacks every other element of success, if it does this. "Our Irish Visitors" is therefore a success, and no more is to be said about it. The "team," Messrs. Murray & Murphy, who are the bright particular stars of this performance, are a breezy and amusing pair of comedians, and in themselves sufficed last evening to keep the spirits of the audience in the grand Avenue Theatre at the highest pitch. As Col. Gilbooley and Jerry McGinnis they carried everything before them, and the rest of the company were not much behind them in the amount of applause and laughter they elicited.—N. Y. Mail and Express.

The above company will appear Tuesday evening next. The prices will be 25, 50 and 75 cents.

MANHATTAN, Manhattan.

The Park is Open.

On Sunday Oakland Park will be open free for everybody to enter. Open every day and evening on and after Sunday.

Ministers' Meeting.

The ministers will meet Monday morning at 10 o'clock in the east room of the Christian church.

T. W. PRINCE, Pres.

T. I. COULZAS, Sec.

A HOTEL bar-keeper in New York makes these confidential disclosures: Neither Blaine nor Garfield ever came to the bar while stopping at the hotel. Senator Gorman came in for a rye occasionally. W. H. Barnum took plenty of gin and Congressmen Scott, of Pennsylvania, a little gin too. Cocking wanted nothing but lemonade. President Cleveland had the best brandy sent up to his room, and Steve Dorsey drank whisky and plenty of it. The bar-keeper would do well to "keep" also his bar secrets.

JOIN IN THE MOVEMENT.

Put Up Your Cash and Get on Board the Boom Ship.

Sensible Action Taken by Citizens at Last Night's Meeting.

There were about 300 manufacturers, business men and other citizens at the adjourned boom meeting held at the court house last night to hear the report of a committee on organizing a permanent association, whose object it is to systematically advertise the claims of Decatur—the best city in the west—as a manufacturing and business centre. There was considerable rambling talk but toward the last the meeting got down to business and much enthusiasm was awakened, nearly \$1500 being subscribed on the spot toward a fund of \$5,000 to be expended as the subscribers in their judgment may determine best.

Chairman Starr presided and R. P. Lytle was chosen to serve as secretary.

John A. Brown, of the committee on railways, made a partial report to the effect that only the Terre Haute & Peoria company was in a position to make a request for right of way through Decatur, which would not be ready until after the 1. D. & S. road is sold on May 25. The committee was continued.

A PLAN.

K. H. Roby, for the committee on organization, submitted the following plan for an association simply as a suggestion:

For the purpose of better promoting the growth and prosperity of the city of Decatur, we the undersigned hereby organize ourselves into a society to be known as "The Board of Trade of Decatur, Illinois," and each severally pledge ourselves to contribute and pay into the treasury as soon as the organization of said Board of Trade is completed, the sum of twenty-five dollars and to pay such further sums as may be determined by the board of directors, not however to exceed the sum of twelve and fifty one-hundredths dollars per annum.

Any person who shall contribute any multiple of said sum of twenty-five dollars and pay an equal proportion in quarterly dues, shall have a vote in the election of directors for each sum of twenty-five dollars contributed.

The Wichita law read by Mr. Roby provide for a president, three vice-presidents, five members of the executive committee, 21 directors, a salaried secretary who shall have an office and attend to all correspondence, and committees on Railroads, Emigration, Manufactures and Industries, Transportation and Freight, Finance, National, State and Legislative.

On motion of J. M. Clokey the report was adopted, and the adoption of the report does not in any sense bind those present to obey the provisions of the plan. It was only an expression of the desire of our enterprising citizens to agree upon some method of organization, and the plan will serve as a guide for all.

The amount of the share of stock is not settled. The subscribers may reduce the sum to \$5 a share so that laboring men as well as capitalists may have a personal interest and a voice in the organization. This seemed to be the sense of the meeting as expressed by Peter Loeb, I. R. Mills, Dr. W. A. Barnes, J. A. Barnes, J. M. Clokey, D. S. Shellbarger, John A. Brown, Robert Oglesby, C. M. Allison and others. Every speaker was enthusiastically applauded, particularly those who spoke in praise of Decatur and her advantages.

BUSINESS.

J. H. Mosser suggested that a town meeting could not effect an organization such as was contemplated, and he offered a motion that subscriptions from those present willing to aid in the effort to raise \$5,000, to be taken at once, and that a committee of twelve be appointed by the chairman to canvass the city for subscriptions, the subscribers to meet and effect an organization, adopting such constitution and by-laws as they may deem best.

After general talk, Mr. Mosser's motion was adopted. Without personal solicitation the following amounts were subscribed at once:

D. S. Shellbarger, \$100
J. W. Haworth, 100
Peter Loeb, 100
J. A. Barnes, 100
W. H. Starr, 100
J. M. Clokey, 100
W. A. Barnes, 100
C. F. Dauter, 50
Crowder & Continental, 50
John A. Brown, 50
B. S. Shellbarger, 50
J. H. Mosser, 50
W. L. Ferguson, 50
D. A. Maffit, 50
R. A. Oglesby, 50
Bradley Bros., 50
Albert Harnes, 50
C. L. Grawold, 50
W. A. Barnes, 50
G. C. Lloyd, 25

Total, \$1200

Chairman Starr announced the following soliciting committee: Peter Loeb, chairman; Smith Crowder, R. F. May, J. G. Lloyd, D. S. Shellbarger, C. L. Grawold, C. M. Imboden, P. B. Tait, T. T. Roberts, I. R. Mills, W. W. Foster and D. A. Maffit. Later R. J. Oglesby was added to the committee.

The members of this committee will meet this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the law office of Mills Bros.

It will be observed that the unit of the stock is not agreed upon, and cannot be fixed until a meeting of the subscribers to the fund is held. The \$5,000 ought and doubtless will be raised by Tuesday of next week, and in a short time the Board of Trade, with its officers and committees will be at work making a systematic effort to induce factories to locate here. It is known that there is at least one important institution, one that employs a large number of men, which with a little effort may be induced to remove to Decatur. It is not far away, and there will be other factories to follow. Meet the committee cordially and put down your name for a handsome sum. It will return to you with interest in a short time. Talk up the organization and do not in any way hold back. Let every man, woman and child join in the movement so auspiciously inaugurated.

In his speech Dr. Barnes said all should do what they can to promote the interests of Decatur. There were many marked evidences of improvement apparent. The speaker had lived in Decatur 30 years and could say that in all that time he had not seen so many evidences of thrift and advancement. Now Decatur takes the position she should have occupied many years ago. There is a general advance in real estate all over the country, particularly in the west, but of all the towns in the west that the speaker had recently visited, none have the substantial, solid basis that Decatur has. At Los Angeles the basis is climate. It is good to breathe, but it won't do to support a dense population. There is no more fruitful country than is found around Decatur. Let us make our real position known, and our city must grow very rapidly. Have a man at the head of the organization who will devote his time and attention to it in a business way. No city has better factories or cheaper fuel than Decatur. Let every citizen feel a personal pride and interest in this undertaking and good results will follow.

J. M. Clokey said all should give hearty voice to the boom and sing the praises of Decatur. The east has been the manufacturing section of the U. S. The factories must come west, to avoid the long haul expense. They must seek the centre of population. It was the judgment of the speaker that the factories will locate in the Mississippi Valley.

D. S. Shellbarger thought the best way to bring factories and people to Decatur was to form an organization and advertise the city; but we cannot accomplish anything without money. The sooner the money is raised the better. We want more factories; get one and you will get others. They will not only help real estate, but all branches of business as well.

John A. Brown always had faith in Decatur, and believed that within a few years we would have a city of 40,000 to 50,000 inhabitants. He thought there was considerable in the suggestions made by Mr. Clokey. He knew of inquiries being made by eastern manufacturers for desirable locations in the west.

WAIT AND WANT.

An exchange gets off the following very pertinent remarks: "The man who sits down in the corner of an old lot and waits for an old cow to back up to be milked will go without milk all his days. The man who prays, 'Give us our daily bread,' and sits down to his table waiting for the Lord to come and put bread on his plate, will starve to death. And the people who close their doors, as it were, and expect prosperity to force an entrance into their houses, will work hard times until the devil claims his due. You must go after the cow if you want any milk. You must work for your bread if you want to eat. And you must open your doors and invite prosperity in if you want it. If you don't come on invitation go after her like an Australian savage goes for a wife—armed with a club, sneak up behind her, knock her down and drag her home. After you have once got prosperity, it is comparatively easy to keep her, but it is sometimes necessary to employ harsh means to get her."

Death.

Mrs. L. S. Colby, wife of a well-known farmer residing near Macon, died Friday evening at 9 o'clock after a brief illness. She was the mother of three children, two sons and one daughter, Mary Colby, a pupil in the third year class at the high school. She went home yesterday evening not knowing that her mother was ill. Funeral services tomorrow at 10 o'clock from the Methodist church at Macon.

Mrs. Mary Smith, aged 76 years, mother of Mrs. H. C. Crosthwait, of this city, died of paralysis, at Grove City, Ill., on Friday evening, April 29. The burial will take place at Grove City on Sunday.

A Word for the Decatur Guards.

Do we want a military company in Decatur? It is quite evident that the city council think not, or at least do not intend to act on their action at the last meeting in refusing to let them have what little water they need at the armory to wash their hands without paying for it. The city council seem to forget that the young men spent one evening every week and frequently two in drilling, &c., that they may be prepared for efficient service in case they are required. There are necessarily a good many expenses that are covered by the appropriation from the state, as the state pays the rent of the room only. These expenses are quite a heavy tax on the individual members of the guards, to say nothing of the time they give, and they have been there about as long as they care to or can afford to.

Just at this time these expenses are unusually heavy, as their uniforms which they have worn for six years are unfit for further use, and it seems as though they must either be at this expense themselves for new ones, go without, or disband.

If the citizens want a military company in Decatur, there should be some expression of encouragement and substantial support.

The needs of the company should be inquired into, an appropriation made by the council, endorsed by a subscription by the business men, and put the company in a good shape. Let us hear from the city council and from the business men, whether they want a company of the state militia in Decatur or not. J. W. C.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Senator Johns is home from Springfield.

E. McNabb left for Springfield this afternoon to remain over Sunday.

Madison Bradshaw, of Decatur, has been granted a pension.

Rev. Dr. Voeburg has declined the call to Springfield and is now working heart and soul to raise the money for a new Baptist church.

Baby Carcans.

Mrs. Geo. Stevens, of Stapp's Chapel, was visiting at the appearance of a dead infant but bearing upon its snowy face the following unique inscription:

There came to us early last evening, And bowed his very best face, The winning little babe, With a question look on his face.

As he came and as he lay we listened, And heard his complaint to the end, Then gave him the biggest of verdicts, And saw the facts and the end.

We owned him, the finest of babies That ever was known in the land, And no amount from the judgment, Have offered the judgment to stand!

BABY CARCANS.

Son of Charles Stevens Carcans, Minneapolis, Minn.

Born, Tuesday, 26 April, at the home of the most significant facts concerning the descent of the aforesaid little lawyer to our world, is that on the very afternoon of his birth the "Society," or literary society to which his mother belonged, was celebrating the birthday of Shakespeare, at which time Mrs. Stevens was invited to give the allegorical significance of the "Tempest," which she says does not mean a storm, but life on the "Sea of Time."

It is worthy to note that this little hero—whose father and mother are so well known and beloved in our city—may resemble, "prosper" and live to subordinate to his own use and the use of higher spirits, this entire universe of joy and beauty.

Are you going to paint your dwelling? If so, use the H. W. Johns "Asbesto" paints. They will hold their colors and last longer than any other paint made. For sale by Morehouse, Wells & Co. m28-dkwit

MANHATTAN, Manhattan.

Will Remove.

J. B. Bullard will remove his undertaking establishment to the Haworth building in the Masonic Temple block, on North Water street, where he will have more commodious quarters and a better room, generally for his business. He will make the change about May 2.

MANHATTAN, Manhattan.

Have your children hear Gen. Wallace.

His name is familiar to them in U. S. History.

MORE BIG SALES.

The Boom Going All Around Town—No Let Up.

There were several important sales of real estate yesterday, all of sufficient importance to merit more than brief mention.

J. M. Clokey became the purchaser of the Captain B. H. Tuller 40-acre tract of land, lying south of William street, one mile east of water street. The price paid was \$10,000. There is a good brick house on the tract, at present occupied by George P. Hardy, county clerk.

J. M. Clokey also purchased the Samuel C. Allen 40-acre tract, lying south of the road, adjoining the Tuller tract on the west and the Beaman 40-acre tract on the east. The consideration was \$12,000.

The city is building up on the north side of the road east to points along side the I. D. & S. track, which runs past the east side of the Tuller tract. Mr. Clokey will plat part of the 80 acres and place lots on the market.

John A. Brown bought a half interest in the James Fowler 5-acre tract just across the road north of the Tuller place purchased by Mr. Clokey. It has a good house on it and will make 25 lots. The price paid by Mr. Brown for the half interest was \$1500. Mrs. John A. Brown owns the other half of this tract.

Sales of Real Estate.

R. C. Rawlings to Charles M. Allison, lot 13 and 50 feet off west side of lot 12 in block 1, Shepherd's addition, known as the Ragan property on West Prairie street, \$3200. Mr. Allison will occupy it about May 10. In the course of a year or two Mr. Allison may put up a \$6,000 or \$8,000 dwelling on the lot, removing the old dwelling to another lot.

T. A. Pritchett to C. M. Allison and Harry Hord, tract of land in 10, 16, 2, \$2500.

John N. Bills to Levi Alsbury, lot 2 in Bill's addition, \$200.

M. P. Murphy to W. W. Conrad, lots 18 and 19 in block 1, Wait & Co.'s addition, and lots 15 and 19 in block 2, Duffee, Warren & Co.'s addition, \$1500.

Benjamin Kretzer to Jacob Lebo, 12 acres in 23, 16, 1, \$400.

Charles F. Shilling to Mary A. Cool, all of out lots in J. C. Lake & Co.'s addition, \$700.

Valentine Snyder to Henry S. Portwood, 40 acres in 13, 14, 1, \$1080.

Emma L. Battles to George W. Hathaway, lot 1 in block 1, Cusell's 6th addition, \$1800.

AYER'S PILLS are the best cathartic for correcting irregularities of the stomach and bowels. Gentle, yet thorough in their action, they cure constipation, stimulate the appetite and digestive organs, and strengthen the system.

Not So Bad.

Members of the Decatur Guards indulged in a target practice this week. They made the following scores out of a possible 25:

100 YARDS.

Walter Coladay, 4 5 3 4—30
Oscar Keenan, 4 2 4 3—17
Logan Phillips, 4 4 4 4—20
Frank Wells, 4 4 4 4—22

200 YARDS.

Coladay, 5 3 3 3—18
Keenan, 2 3 3 3—14
Wells, 2 3 3 3—14
Keenan, 2 2 0 2—8

Sold for \$1400.

H. W. Fenton has sold his handsome driving mare "Agnes" and rig to Andrew J. Dunston for \$1400. Agnes is one of the swiftest trotters in Decatur. Her sire is Blue Bull, dam Dorsey's Old Gold Dust.

MANHATTAN, Manhattan.

The Lecture.

The always welcome lecturer, Dr. Willets, of Louisville, filled his engagement at the opera house last night, being greeted by a large and appreciative audience. Many present had heard his cheering talk on "Sunshine," and they were there again to absorb the good things he had to offer in his lectures "On the Wing; or, Summer's flight Over the Sea." The doctor's powers of description are perfect, while his breezy anecdotes never fail to provoke general laughter. The lecture was a fine literary treat, bearing with it a vast amount of useful instruction, picked up by the genial doctor while he was abroad.

This forenoon J. L. Watson swore out a warrant for the arrest of Joe Gray, one of the athletes of the circus, who on yesterday kicked Willie Watson, son of the complainant, in the face at the tent. The boy is nine years old and was badly hurt by the kick. Gray says he meant to kick for a negro who had been peeping under the tent. Gray will be held to await the result of injuries received by the Watson boy. His condition is critical.

Standard-bred Stallions.

R. R. Montgomery's stallions, Decatur Chief 2574, Durango King 2007 and Murmukho 6021, can now be seen in their new quarters at the Traubinger & Wilson stable and feed yard, situated on East Main street, south side, just opposite the city yard. While we are booming the real estate in Decatur let it be remembered that Decatur is one of the greatest horse centers in the state, and we have as good and popular blood as can be found anywhere. Everybody who has any taste or love for a fine horse should call and see these stallions and keep themselves posted as to what Decatur has in this line. People come from hundreds of miles around to see our horses, while many of our citizens are perfectly ignorant of the quality and value of our stock. Go and see them.

Don't fail to hear Gen. Wallace, author of "Ben-Hur," Monday night. Prices—25, 50 and 75 cents. Reserved seats now on sale at Prescott's. 29-3d

DIED.

In this city at 701 East William street, April 29, of measles and pneumonia, Jessie H. Baughner, of J. K. and Mary Jones, aged 2 years.

The funeral took place from the family residence this afternoon, Rev. Geo. Stevens, of Stapp's Chapel, officiating. Burial at North fork cemetery east of the city.

The Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1 p. m. to-day, received by G. C. Caldwell, Commission Merchant:

Wheat—80% April; 80% May; 83% June; 83% July.

Corn—37 April; 37 1/4 May; 39 June 40% July.

Oats—26 April; 26 1/2 May; 28 1/2 June; 28 1/2 July.

Flour—\$22.00 Apr; \$22.50 May; \$22.50 June.

Lard—\$6.90 Apr; \$6.90 May; \$7.00 June, generally for this business.

Hops—\$7.55 Apr; \$7.55 May; \$7.65 June.

Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hogs 8,000; market active.

Cattle, 2,000; market about steady.

Car Lots—Wheat: Winter 43; Spring 31 1/2; Corn, 24; Oats, 17 1/2.

COLORED DRESS GOODS.

Clearing Sale--A Positive Sacrifice.

